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To the Zoning Board of Appeals

I live at 411 Pond St and strongly urge you to deny the applications for the proposed Shingle Mill project. I feel this development is an ill-conceived project in an inappropriate land space for the following reasons:

Conservation Problems: The location is within a documented Zone A Water Supply Protection Area. This means the project puts our drinking water directly at risk. If that source is not respected and protected, there will be no recourse when it becomes polluted by the project's activity.

Water Capacity: Our reservoirs are dangerously low and it is irresponsible to continue large scale building under these circumstances. The developers lack of respect is evident with their assertion they will dig their own wells. This essentially steals the water we are trying to protect.

Sewer Capacity: Our infrastructure is in a highly perilous state with our overcapacity usage. Again, it is irresponsible to continue large scale building under these circumstances. The developer should not be allowed to buy his way around moratoriums on new users by paying fees. The developer has indicated they will install a septic system if denied access which puts our drinking water in greater danger

Neighborhood: This is a quiet residential area and this complex is completely out of character. The property is zoned for commercial and buildings are limited to three stories for a reason. This developer is asking to waive BOTH the height limit and the use zone to create a development that adds Nothing to the neighborhood. The additional trucks required for the landfill compounds the industrial traffic in a residential neighborhood.

In summary, this project should be denied its requested zoning waivers because the development Intrudes on protected wetlands, Exacerbates limited water supply, Endangers the water of the entire town, Detracts from character of the neighborhood, Threatens road and residence stability with trucked in landfill, and provides no benefit to the surrounding area.

Please do the right thing and deny this construction.


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